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QUICK WORK.

Sch. Slade Gorton Secured 12,000 Mackerel in Three Days Trip.

Sch. Slade Gorton, Capt. George E. Heckman, at Newport yesterday, certainly did a hustle. Capt. Heckman sailed from here on Thursday last, caught his mackerel three miles southeast of No Man's Land and landed them at Newport yesterday, and sailed again during the night looking for another fare. This morning the check for the trip was received here. The vessel had a fine fare, nearly 12,000 fresh mackerel in count and stocked \$3000 as the result of her three days trip.

Bank Cod Sale.

The fare of sch. Arbitrator sold to John P. W. & Son at \$3.62 1-2 per hundred weight for large and \$3.37 1-2 for medium cod.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Canopus, Rips, 20,000 lbs. cod.
Sch. Norman Fisher, returned.
Sch. Evelyn L. Smith, shore.
Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, netting.
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade prices for salt and fresh fish:

Salt fish, handline Georges cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for medium; trawl Georges cod, \$4.25 for large, \$3.50 for medium; trawl Bank cod, \$3.62 1-2 for large, \$3.37 1-2 for medium; hake, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25; haddock, \$1.75; large cusk, \$2.50.

Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium cod, \$1.62 1-2; all cod caught to the eastward of LaHave bank, \$1.87 1-2; medium \$1.50 cusk, \$1.62 1-2; haddock, \$1.00; hake, \$1.00; pollock, 75c; snapper codfish, 60 cts.; snapper cusk, 60 cts.

Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for mediums and \$2.25 for snappers.

Fresh halibut, 10 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. per lb. for gray.

Georges halibut, 12 1-2 cts. for white and 8 1-2 cts. for gray.

Fresh mackerel, 19 1-2 cents each.

Salt southern caught mackerel, \$15 per bbl.

Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$10.62 1-2 per bbl.

Outside sales fresh hake, \$1.05.

Boston.

Sch. Rapidan, 400 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Marshall L. Adams, 25,000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. Alcina, 2000 haddock, 13,000 cod.

Sch. Elmer D. Gray, 18,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 5000 hake, 10,000 cusk, 500 pollock.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 25,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, 2000 haddock, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Eva Avina, 1500 haddock, 400 cod.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2000 haddock, 1400 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Shepherd King, 40,000 haddock, 800 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Charles W. Parker, 61 swordfish.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 13,000 haddock.

Sch. Teresa and Ailee, 27,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Haddock, \$2 to \$2.25; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$2.50 to \$3; hake, \$1 to \$2; pollock, \$2.50; swordfish, 13 cents.

GASOLINE NETTER BURNED.

Boat Columbia Caught Fire Yesterday Off Block Island.

Crew Saved Themselves but Craft Went Down Quickly.

The gasoline boat Columbia of this port, owned by Capt. Henry A. Pembroke and engaged in southern mackerel netting, caught fire and burned to the water's edge off Block Island yesterday afternoon. Capt. Pembroke and the one man with him, James D. Ehler of this city, saved themselves by taking to the dory, but had no time to save their effects.

The Columbia was bound from Block Island to Newport when the accident happened. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when five miles southwest of the island, the engine broke down. Capt. Pembroke was engaged in fixing it, when he dropped a lighted candle as the craft took a sharp lurch, and in an instant, as soon as the candle struck the floor near the engine, the loose gasoline ignited and the craft was quickly ablaze.

Capt. Pembroke and Ehler tried to smother the flames with a blanket, but were unsuccessful, and in a few minutes they were driven into their dory as the flames gained such headway that they enveloped the whole boat. They were unable to save anything.

The Columbia was carrying a tank containing 50 gallons of gasoline and four cans containing about five gallons each. The craft burned quickly and sank before the men had rowed half a mile.

Capt. Pembroke and Ehler were picked up by the fishing schooner Leander Wilson, but the men soon returned to their dory and rowed into Newport.

They lost all their nets and all other gear. The Columbia was built in this city 14 months ago. She cost \$1250 and is insured for \$900. The nets were also insured.

The burning was sighted by both Captain Kenyon of the Price's Neck life saving station and the keeper of the Branton's Reef lightship. Captain Kenyon sent word to the naval torpedo station, and in less than 10 minutes after the message was received the torpedo boat McKee was on her way down the harbor.

The McKee, which was commanded by Lieutenant Walter R. Gheradi, cruised about for two hours without finding any traces of either the burning vessel or the crew, having passed the dory on the way out.

Baltimore Crabs.

The price of a devilled crab in Baltimore runs down quite a scale. Beginning with 15 cents in the fashionable hotels, it drops to 10 at the ordinary eating bar and then to 5 when bought from the greasy basket of the good natured crab man. In the tiny Italian cook-shops devilled crabs can be enjoyed at the rate of 3 cents each, and in the saloons along the water front they are often stacked up in a huge dish on the free lunch counter. With all these opportunities for feasting on the well seasoned "debbil" it is little wonder that Baltimoreans are considered the crab connoisseurs of the nation.—New York Herald.

BAIT AT ST. PIERRE, MIQ.

Caplin Are Now Reported as Very Plentiful There.

A special despatch to the TIMES from Folquet Bros. of St. Pierre Miquelon, states that caplin are very plentiful there and that all the French vessels have baited. The despatch also states that there is a large quantity of ice on hand there.

WILL BUILD A FLEET

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Similar to Steam Beam Trawlers of the North Sea.

Company Formed Backed by Unlimited Capital

The Bay State Fish Company, capitalized at \$100,000, has been incorporated, its object being to construct and operate a fleet of steam fishing vessels similar to the steam trawlers engaged in the fishing industry in the North sea.

As exclusively stated in the TIMES some time ago, keel plates have already been laid at the Fore River Ship and Engine Company's yard, North Weymouth, for the first steamer, which will be constructed entirely of steel and will register 150 tons.

This boat will be equipped with the most approved gear and will have a compound engine capable of driving her through the water at a speed of about 10 knots. With this boat as a nucleus the promoters expect to build up a fleet which will bring fish to market quickly and in the best possible condition.

The utmost secrecy has been observed by those interested regarding the plans of the company, but it has transpired that there is considerable opposition to the introduction of steam fishing vessels among some of the dealers on T wharf, although many of the wholesalers are shareholders in the new concern.

An immense amount of capital is invested in the clipper sailing vessels now running to T wharf, and if these vessels are to be superseded by steam craft it would mean a heavy loss to the owners of the schooners.

The new organization is said to be backed by unlimited capital and has among its stockholders the banking firm of Kidder, Peabody & Co., T. Jefferson Coolidge, the Fore River Ship and Engine Company and a number of the big wholesale fish dealers on T wharf.

The first vessel will be somewhat in the nature of an experiment, but so sanguine of success of the undertaking are the promoters that plans for a second steam trawler are already being prepared, and when the first boat goes into commission in October the work on the second will commence.

The steam trawler is equipped with two heavy beams projecting from masts on both the port and starboard sides, to which is attached the trawls, which are weighted down by iron sinkers. As the vessel steams along, the beam trawls are lowered, and as they become filled they are lifted on board and emptied.

AS USUAL.

Capt. Clayton Morrissey Home with Big Salt Cod Fare.

Has Been High Line of Fleet for Two Years.

Sch. Elector, Capt. Clayton Morrissey, arrived home yesterday afternoon from the Banks with one of the largest salt bank trips of the season. Capt. Morrissey calls his catch 200,000 pounds, but as usual he is modest about his haul, and all well know that he will weigh out several thousand pounds more.

Capt. Morrissey says that many of the American fleet are poorly fished, not because bait was scarce or the weather bad, for there was plenty of the former and the latter was never better during any spring that he could remember, but simply because fish were scarce. Much gear was run and there was plenty of good weather to set it, but the whole trouble was that the fish was scarce. Some of the French fleet which he spoke had done poorly.

Capt. Morrissey is one of the youngsters in years among the skippers of the salt bank fleet, but at the same time none have a greater reputation as a fish catcher, and for the past two seasons he has had the honor of being the high line of this great fleet, which yearly lands from 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 pounds of salt fish at this port.

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BIG SWORDFISH FARE.

First of the Season To Reach Port at Boston.

Sch. Ella M. Doughty of Portland, Capt. Warren Doughty, which arrived at Boston yesterday, had the first swordfish trip of the season to be landed at that port. The vessel had 75 fish, a big trip for the first one. The largest fish weighed 443 pounds and the smallest 105 pounds. The fare, after brisk bidding, sold at 11 cents per pound. The trip was a short one, the vessel sailing from Portland June 15, and the stock will be in the neighborhood of \$1700. The vessel also brought in a 75 pound hawk bill turtle, one of three sighted swimming along together. The fare was taken on Georges.

Big Short Lobster Seizure.

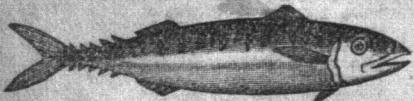
One of the largest seizures in Maine of lobsters of less than the legal length was made today by wardens at Ori's island, when 5000 were taken from 20 cars, part of which were submerged, and liberated.

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NINE SEINERS AT NEWPORT.

Mackerel Fleet Struck Fish Tuesday Night.

Some of the Fleet Are Reported Salting Their Catches.



The mackerel fleet have found good fishing to the southward and before dark last evening eight fine fresh trips had arrived at Newport and one at New Bedford.

According to reports from the former city, a good-sized fleet of the seiners found the fish Tuesday night, from 40 to 45 miles southeast of No Man's Land. As reported yesterday, schs. Saladin and Mary E. Harty were the first to reach Newport, and the price of fish was started at 20 cents each. The Harty reported that some of the vessels which made hauls were salting their catch.

Next came the news that sch. Veda M. McKown, Capt. Solomon Jacobs, had arrived at New Bedford with 18,000 fresh mackerel in count, a big trip.

Later news of the following fares at Newport was received:

Sch. Diana, Capt. James McLean, 165 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Constellation, Capt. Thaddeus Morgan, 125 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, Capt. Joshua W. Stanley, 200 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Albert Larkin, 200 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Edna Wallace Hopper, Capt. Almon D. Malloch, 200 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sch. Maud S., 150 barrels fresh mackerel.

Last night at 9 o'clock it was very calm off Newport and no trips had arrived since dark. The fare of salt Cape Shore mackerel of sch. Miranda sold to D. E. Woodbury at \$10.62 1-2 per barrel.

One hundred and sixteen barrels of salt mackerel are due at Boston today from Port Hawkesbury, via steamer.

Sch. Harvard, Capt. Roy Kimball, arrived at Newport this morning with 150 barrels of fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Eben Lewis, stocked \$2700 on her fresh mackerel trip landed at Newport yesterday.

T WHARF FISHERMEN.

Excited Over Story of Building of Steam Trawlers.

One of Stockholders Says It Is To Provide Regular Supply.

The recent announcement that a company had been formed, backed by unlimited capital, to build a fleet of steam beam trawlers to engage in the fresh fish business and market their fares at T wharf, Boston, and that one of these crafts had already been commenced and would be launched in October, has caused considerable comment at all the fishing ports along the New England coast.

The statement in one paper that a fleet of 300 of these crafts was to be built has caused most of the talk, and the term "fish trust" has suddenly gained a significance.

Among the vessel owners here the news that a concern had been organized to build a beam trawler has caused little serious comment, and not much more attention than the announcement that the Boston Shipping Company is having a big gasoline auxiliary schooner built for winter fishing.

It seems to be the general opinion here that this concern will probably, if the first one is proven a success, build a fleet, a reasonable number, to engage in the fresh market fishery. It is known that this idea has been considered for a long time and that the concern sent a man to England to study the matter and also it is understood that it has secured the exclusive rights for this country to certain patents on the English beam trawl outfit.

The captains and crews of the vessels landing fresh fish at T wharf, Boston, are very much opposed to the introduction of steam beam trawlers entering the fish business there. The Boston Branch, No. 223, of the Fishermen's Union of America strongly opposes the project and takes the matter very seriously.

"Certainly we are opposed to this new trust," said Joseph Rogers, business agent of the union, at headquarters, yesterday morning. "It means that hundreds of fishermen will be out of jobs when these steam vessels get started. It is only a deal to control the market. I do not know if the fishermen's union will take official action or not in protest against the new concern."

John R. Neal of the firm of John R. Neal & Co., one of the leading fish dealers of T wharf, who is a member of the new corporation said:

"The object of the new company is to make a steady market of fish and prevent fluctuations of the market. Steam trawlers can make more frequent trips and go much farther into the fishing grounds. The fish can be brought into the market in better condition, and the general aspect of the market will be greatly improved. It is no trust—only a means of improving the general market and securing a more steady supply of fish."

Fish dealers deny that it will be the death knell of the large fleet of sailing vessels now running from T wharf. They claim that there is room in the market for a much larger supply of fish than is now received.

Very Quick Run.

The salt banker Independence II., Capt. Joseph V. Cusick, is at Canso, N. S., after a run of 43 hours from this port. This is very fast sailing.

CARRIER PIGEON SERVICE.

Times Thus Has Communication with Seining Fleet.

Message Received from One of Crew of Sch. Kentucky.

The TIMES now has a carrier pigeon service with the seining fleet out south, so that news from the vessels is received while the fleet are on the fishing grounds.

This morning the TIMES received a letter from Block Island, dated last Tuesday. The letter stated that a carrier pigeon lighted on the steam lighter Clifford, which was at work placing stone on the breakwater at the Old Harbor, Block Island, and attached to its leg was the following message to the Gloucester DAILY TIMES:

"June 25, latitude 41.10, longitude 67, on board sch. Kentucky. All hands well. Weather fine. No fish schooling. Stray carrier pigeon came on board and will send this by "pigeon post." Please send this to the Gloucester Daily TIMES and oblige.

(Signed) Samuel Peeples."

From Yesterday's Late Edition

TWO GOOD TRIPS.

Schs. Mary E. Harty and Saladin at Newport.

Former Arrived This Forenoon with 17,000 Mackerel.

A special despatch to the TIMES states that sch. Saladin, Capt. Har McKown, arrived at Newport this morning with a fine trip, 14,000 fresh mackerel in count.

A special despatch from the TIMES correspondent at Newport this forenoon states that sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Eben Lewis, had just arrived with 17,000 fresh mackerel. The fish were taken 40 miles southeast of No Man's Land.

Arrivals at Newport report lots of tinker mackerel schooling 10 to 16 miles southwest of No Man's Land.

Sch. Livonia was at Newport yesterday with 1200 fresh mackerel and sold at 18 cents each.

The netters landed 5000 pounds of fresh mackerel at Portland yesterday, selling at 8 cents per pound.

Good Stock.

Sch. Lelia E. Norwood, Capt. Alfred Johnson, stocked \$2766 as the result of her recent fine Georges halibuting trip, the crew sharing \$83.